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Sir:

In response to the outstanding Official Action of September 14, 2009, in which a threemonth shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on December 14, 2009, which has been extended to expire on February 16, 2010 (February 14, 2010 being a Sunday and February 15, 2010 being a federal holiday) and concurrently with the filing of a Request for Continuing Examination (RCE), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection in view the herein contained amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper:

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper: